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## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: TUBULAR SAUSAGE CASING WITH A

YARN TIE HAVING A METAL INSERT AND:

A PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF

Examiner: Michael C. Miggins

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 12, 2008 (Paper No. 20080508, hereinafter referred to as "the Office Action"), in the above-referenced application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the shortened statutory period for response, which is set to expire on August 12, 2008.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this response.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration by the Examiner of all pending claims in light of the following.